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In re application of: Ganapati R. Mauze, et al.
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Examiner: Jeffrey Norman Fredman
For: A COMPANION CARTRIDGE FOR DISPOSABLE DIAGNOSTIC
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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This communication is responsive to the Examiner's Office Action mailed August 14, 2006. Applicant notes that a call was made to the Examiner on 10/16/2006 in order to determine if the outstanding Office Action was in fact a Final Action or not. The Examiner indicated that this Office Action should have been marked as a Non-Final on line 2a of the Office Action Summary.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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